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## **STATUS LETTER**

Sir:

The above-identified application was filed in the U.S. Patent Office on February 27, 2004 and no Official Action has yet been received in the application.

Accordingly, may we please be advised approximately when we can expect the application to be taken up for consideration by the Patent Office.

Respectfully submitted,

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